RM POL 4005 - 06  Reviewing Marine Shoreline Identified as Critical Salmon Habitat

This policy applies to the Resource Management section review requirements for the portions of the marine shoreline identified as critical salmon habitat. This policy is established under the provision of PCC 18E.40 - Regulated Fish and Wildlife Species and Habitat Conservation Areas.

Nearshore Habitat Assessment Identifies Salmon Habitat
Select portions of the marine shoreline within Pierce County have been identified through a nearshore habitat assessment process to provide high quality salmon habitat.

100-Foot Vegetative Buffer Established
In order to provide protection to the identified marine areas, a 100-foot vegetative buffer is to be established from the ordinary high water mark.

Fish and Wildlife Review Required
A fish and wildlife review will be required prior to the initiation of any regulated activities within any parcel located along the identified marine shoreline areas.

Exception: When the regulated activities are related to single-family development and all regulated activities are kept out of the 100-foot buffer.

Buffer Modification Provided For
The required 100-foot buffer may be modified consistent with the provisions of Chapter 18E.40.060.